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For	:	AN APPARATUS FOR PRODUCTION OF INHOMOGENEOUSLY POLARIZED OPTICAL BEAMS FOR USE IN ILLUMINATION AND A METHOD THEREOF	) ) ) )

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

## **Mail Stop Amendment**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on July 14, 2005, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Species A for claims 62-66, 77-81, 88, 90, 91, and 93. Applicants traverse the restriction requirement on the basis that the claims of the present application require common areas of search and consideration. Since no serious burden exists for search and examination of the species defined in the outstanding office action, no benefit is derived from imposing restriction among Species A and B. Therefore, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn. In view of all of the foregoing, Applicants submit that this case is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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